

Southeast Missouri District Fair Again Meets With Bad Weather

Ruinous weather again made its annual appearance in connection with the annual Southeast Missouri Fair. The Fair opened Wednesday morning, the day being hot and sultry and the weather threatening. At noon, with the dismissal of schools over the county, the crowd began rolling in, school children and teachers being admitted free. Before the afternoon's program was finished, a crowd estimated at seven thousand persons had passed through the gates. The rain held off until after the races, a brisk shower sweeping the grounds about 5:30 that afternoon. The shower settled the dust, cooled off the air and made the evening delightful, the only damage being to the fireworks that evening, several of the special pieces failing to fire.

Thursday was again threatening, but the program went off without interruption and Friday was the big day, the attendance being the greatest of any day during the week. Saturday was ruinous, a cold rain storm sweeping down from the north during the night to lower the temperature to such a point that it was impossible to carry out the race program. The gates were thrown open to the public and those who cared to brave the cold were welcome to attend the carnival. Some thousand or more people took advantage of this opportunity.

Exact attendance figures and financial statement have not been compiled as the treasurer is out of town, but the Fair went heavily in debt as a result of the unfavorable weather. A good day Saturday would have put them in the clear.

New Features at Fair Attract

The Southeast Missouri District Fair was known and advertised as the first "Jazz Fair" in this section. As it presented a number of new features to the Fair-goer this year. The Agricultural Hall was given over to various merchant exhibits. Not one of these but what was attractive and to the average person at least as interesting as the old farm displays. Chief of these in interest, perhaps, was the Radio display showing all of the new types of radios and radio accessories. In connection with the Radio Show was a new system of announcing. Loud speakers were distributed over the entire grounds and buildings so that announcements from the judge's stand, stage platform, and Agricultural Hall could be heard everywhere. The music by the band, the orchestra and the songs of the performers were also broadcast over the grounds.

In the buildings given over to the automobiles, interesting exhibits were seen, the newest types of cars being on display. These shining new cars attracted the attention and interest of many a family and they came back again and again to admire some particular model.

Free Acts of High Class

For the free acts, a platform was constructed fronting the center of the grandstand. These acts were of unusually high class and were highly praised by everyone. The first act, was acrobatic in nature. Two men furnished it and their performance was excellent. Both men had perfect control of their muscles and balanced and tumbled and went through the most difficult stunts with seeming ease and grace.

The second act was Uncle Josh and Aunt Samanthly Simpkins and their trained pig, Pork Chops. Uncle Josh and Aunt Samanthly were just simple country folks come in to see the Fair. They brought their trained pig along with them and with his tricks, he amused everyone. Uncle Josh's proposal and the duet the two sang, "We're Not As Young As

We Used To Be", were their big hits.

Following their appearance, a comic acrobatic stunt was staged, the two acrobats being assisted by their wives, the four giving a most creditable performance.

The last free act was a skating act and it was a good one. The two men and young lady certainly managed to get about on wheels. The climax of the stunt was the whirling of the young lady about in the air by one of the men, her only method of holding on being by one foot hooked about his neck. It was breath-taking. Their "Apache" dance was also mighty clever.

The free acts were sandwiched in between the afternoon's races. The races this year were better than usual, the horses being a classy lot. It was a colorful sight to see the horses lining up at the barrier, stamping and pivoting about to gain position, break loose as the barrier lifted and sweep down the track and around the turn the jockeys with their multi-colored jackets clinging close to the backs of their mounts like so many monkeys. Then on the back-stretch fighting for position around the far turn and down into the home stretch for the finish. Some mighty close races, driving finishes to win out by a nose.

Style Show Makes Hit

The Style Show was the big hit of the Fair. Showing women's wear from The Mathis Store, Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., and the Farmers Dry Goods, the ten models which Major Levy brought with him from St. Louis, made a big hit. The platform was rearranged for the Style Show each evening, an artistic background being set up for the models. They made their entrance from a dressing room under the grandstand and the lithe grace with which they walked, their splendid carriage and pretty faces went over big. The Paradise Garden Orchestra furnished the music to accompany them. The first night, the show was delayed by the blowing out of a fuse just as Major Levy was ready to introduce the first model. During the wait, a number of musical selections were furnished by Misses Moore and Zell, who have broadcasted from a number of St. Louis radio stations. Their numbers made the long wait speed hurriedly. The first night, street garments were shown, the second evening, fall wraps and more street dresses. The last night, evening clothes and wraps were displayed.

Everyone was highly pleased with the Style Show and it is doubtless one of the attractions which will be featured in the Fairs to come.

Fireworks Brilliant

Each night after the Style Show, a display of fireworks was presented. These were more elaborate than ordinarily, some of the feature pieces being "Niagra Falls", "Liberty Bell", "Paul Revere", "American Flag" and the "Goodnight". Rockets, a sham battle, whistling showers, flaming ghosts, pin wheels and bombs were shot off in a profusion which kept the sky illuminated.

Dancing Pavilion Busy

The newly built dancing pavilion, with the Paradise Garden Orchestra furnishing the music, was the scene of much merriment each night following the fireworks. This orchestra is one of the best ever to play in Sikeston and their music was greatly appreciated, not only by the dancers, but by all of those attending the Style Show at night.

Carnival One of the Best

The carnival, arranged all at the west end of the grounds was of a high type, the shows being for the most part, entertaining and attractive. The rides were superior to those of any other carnival to visit Sikeston and the crowd seemed well pleased with the company.

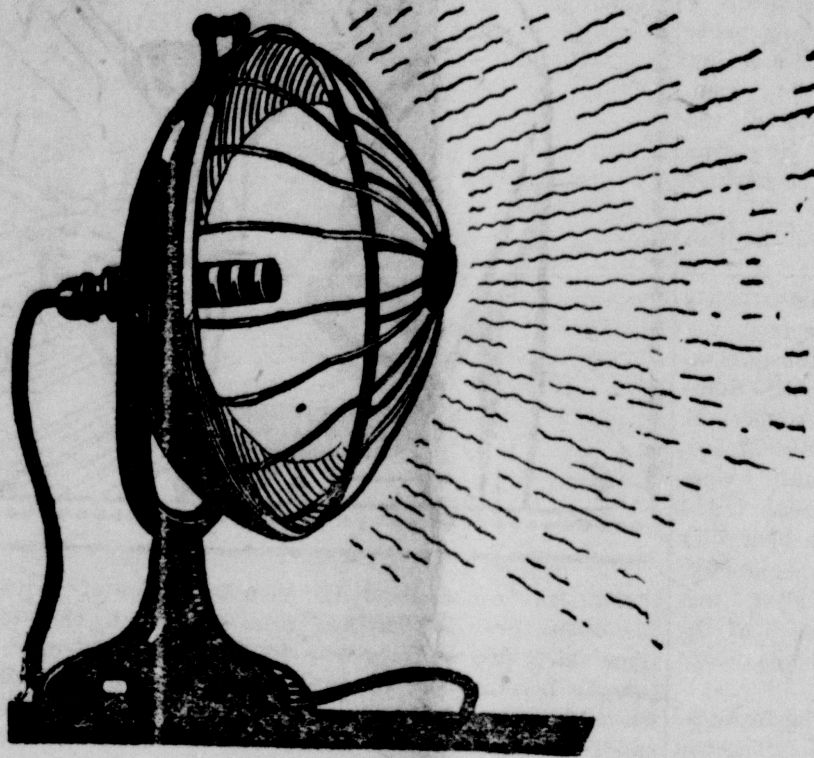
Concessions Numerous

There were more concessions on the ground this year than ever before, a continuous line-up from the Agricultural Hall to the carnival grounds being laid out. These included food stands, lottery games and many other games of chance.

Dirigibles Fail to Come

Many people were disappointed at the failure of the dirigibles TC-7 and RS-1 to appear at the Fair. It was announced Wednesday that if the weather permitted, they would come Thursday and that the TC-7 would remain over until Friday. Captain Hugo Miller from Scott Field was at the Fair making arrangements for the landing.

Thursday morning, the weather



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was threatening and squally and the dirigibles did not leave the field. It was announced that they would make the trip Friday if possible, but unfavorable weather conditions again kept them in the hangers at Scott Field.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE TO VISIT SCOTT COUNTY

J. F. Fulbright, Democratic candidate for Congress from this district, will visit Scott County this week-end. Mr. Fulbright will speak in Blodgett, Friday night at 7:30; in Morley, Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at Oran at 4:00 p. m., at Chaffee at 8:00 p. m.

Mr. Fulbright has represented this district in Congress before, making a creditable record. He is a pleasant man to meet and has a great many friends over the district.

FORD TO BE GIVEN AWAY AT LATER DATE

The Ford car which the Fair Association was to have given away to the holder of the lucky ticket on Saturday will be given away at a later date. Due to the bad weather, the Fair Board decided it would not be fair to the holders of tickets in distant towns and for that reason the Ford was not given away. The date will be publicly announced later.

We serve breakfast in the tea room annex. It.

FOR RENT—5-room house, furnished or unfurnished.—J. W. Black. 2t.

One of our carrier boys failed us last Monday evening, which caused much annoyance to the subscribers and to the office. We trust this will not occur again.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Blanton of the Paris Appeal were guests at the editor's house Thursday and Friday nights. They were in attendance at the State Press meeting at Cape Girardeau and spent the nights in Sikeston.

Waffles and coffee served in the Tea Room Annex. It.

RILEY CASE MAY BE POSTPONED UNTIL LATER

The case of the State of Missouri versus Frank Riley for the murder of Charles F. McMullin, which was set by Judge Kelly for trial at Bloomfield on Tuesday, October 5, may be postponed until later. The difficulty comes about through the engagement of the defense counsel in other courts on that date. It is expected that Judge Kelly will set a later date. The first trial resulted in a hung jury.

DAILEY STORE AT VANDUSER CHANGED HANDS LAST WEEK

The S. M. Dailey store at Vanduser, run by Mrs. Dailey since the death of her husband several months ago, was purchased by J. L. Arnold, who has been operating a store at McMullin. Mr. Arnold plans to move his entire stock from McMullin to Vanduser and center his attention upon that store. Mrs. Dailey will continue to live in Vanduser, looking after her other business interests there.

FOR RENT—Rooms for light housekeeping, modern. Call 382. It.

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SIKESTON BOOSTER CLUB CAR WON BY MRS. C. L. HITE

Mrs. C. L. Hite, of Sikeston, was the holder of the lucky number which called for the Ford car given away by the Sikeston Booster Club, Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock.

The members of the Booster Club had been issuing tickets the past two months with each purchase, the tickets being good for a chance on the car. When the drawing took place Tuesday afternoon, traffic was blocked on Front and New Madrid streets by the crowd of people assembled. The first number drawn proved the lucky one and a shower of tickets went up into the air as people threw away the now worthless bits of pasteboard.

TAKES POSITION AS BANK CASHIER AT BLODGETT

George Pearman returned last Monday to the Blodgett Bank, where he takes the position of cashier. Mr. Pearman, who has been in the Bank of Desloge at Desloge, Mo., was cashier of the Blodgett Bank twelve years ago, resigning to become county clerk of Scott County. After serving eight years in that capacity, he returned to the banking business going to Desloge from the Sikeston Trust Company.

Mr. Pearman succeeds A. L. Marshall who is moving to Cape Girardeau.

TO HOLD TRACHOMA CLINIC IN KENNETT, SEPTEMBER 28-29

A free trachoma clinic will be held in Kennett, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 28 and 29. Trachoma is a very old disease. It can be traced in some families for a hundred or more years. One of the commonest signs is the falling out of the lashes and the burning of the lids. Anyone having sore eyes is invited to take advantage of this opportunity to have their eyes treated by the experts from the United States Public Health Service free of all charge.

"In My Way" Visits The Fair And Gives His Impression of It

Fair time. New gateway. Hardly an artistic triumph, but the lucre paid for the ads I daresay is balm sufficient to offset the lack of aesthetic beauty. From the fair directors standpoint at any rate.

Cars parked at east end. Much more convenient arrangement. All kinds of cars. Lincolns, Fords. Also other makes. All kinds of condition. There were the most disreputable looking Fords imaginable. They might have been resurrected from some junk heap for the occasion. They were for the most part the property of negro cotton pickers. One thing I noted was the generosity of the negroes. I didn't see a single negro car, but which was filled to capacity and overflowing with negroes. And I did see lots of cars driven by white people with one and two occupants. But, perhaps the large negro families accounts for what I took to be generosity. I don't know.

I never saw such an outlay of concessions. From the Agricultural Building to the carnival midway, one continuous line-up. Hot food stands. Blanket games. Games of chance. And from all of them came the beguiling voices of the proprietors. It's fascinating just to walk up and down, watch the crowd and listen to the barkers. "Here's where you get those good homemade sandwiches", calls one with queer little rising and falling inflections in his voice. "Come right over and get 'em while they're red ho-o-o-t-t", pleads another. "Hot dogs, a nickel". "Ice cream sandwiches". "Cold Soda". "Popcorn and peanuts. They're fresh roasted". But, to me, the concession food did not appear very palatable. Piles of hamburgers and frankfurters. Ham sandwiches cut, fixed in readiness for a trade. Smell of stale grease and fish. Fried chicken, an unhealthy brown. Bowls of lemonade and orange ade. Chefs, dirty and hot looking. Raucous voices. Business did not seem to be very good, but perhaps it was better at the noon and supper hours. Lots of people found it cheaper to stay on the grounds and eat and save their night gate charges. Can't blame them for that, either.

And with the calls of the food stands, blended in the wheedling pleading notes of the grafting places. "Come right over and I'll show you how, free". And if that didn't attract your interest, "Hey you, come here a minute. Want to show you something", and there was a pleading note in their voices that many found irresistible.

I suppose it's the natural desire of a person to get something for nothing that causes him to fall victim to the swindle schemes. The sharpers bank heavily on that. "Come over and win a blanket free. Won't cost you a thing. Just show you how easy it is". And so, over the victim goes, thinking he'll have the fun of playing once for nothing and then walk away. It sounds easy, but it takes a strong will power to do it. I know. You see, I rather pride myself on being sufficiently intellectual to resist all such luring appeals. So, I stopped at one of the blanket stands to watch the fun. That's where I made a mistake. I furnished the fun. It was almost worth it at that. This particular little get-something-for-nothing game was a marble game, played on a bread board. A rail of nails driven around the edges, held the marbles in. They were arranged in any order you chose at the top and you then tipped the board up and the marbles rolled down into a series of numbered runways. You then counted up according to the runways and if the total number your marbles counted up to, corresponded with any of the red numbers on the board you won a blanket or five dollars, as you chose. If it came out black, you lost.

Well, to make a sad story short, I won one free. Of course, I didn't get it. Then one of the sharpers who works the crowd, came along and wanted me to roll for him. I rolled and won. He started to take the blanket, hesitated and then his companion told him to take the money. He did.

"Now you roll once for yourself", he said, and put up the money. Again I rolled. This time it came up black. And here's where I became a casualty. The operator laid out the five and the fifty cent piece, his confederate had put up for me to play on and said, "Now, if you win, you win it all back". Both of his associates urged me to play. I did. I lost. He put out another five. Double it. Put up a dollar and you win eleven". The

fever had me, and so I started in to get my money back. I didn't.

One fellow, I heard about, did. It cost him some sixty-five dollars to play the game and when he lost it all, he took his troubles to the officers. They got it back for him. He might have remembered his lesson longer if they hadn't. I think I will and I didn't lose sixty-five, either.

It's always hurt me to spend my money for nothing, so I decided to go back to the stand the next morning. I didn't go back with any intention of winning. In fact, I left my money at home to make sure that no one snatched it away from me. Really, one almost feels like there was a big vacuum cleaner trying to suck all the money out of his pockets as he goes down that row of concessions. And it's almost that bad. But my idea was to get the inside stuff on these games. And so, I just came out and asked the operator to tell me about it.

He tried to inveigle me into playing again at first, but when he found out he couldn't do any good, he loosened up. He showed me the board. There wasn't any fake about it as far as his having control over it was concerned. It was a plain bread board with common ordinary nails driven into it to form the runways. But the number arrangement was such that only about once in twenty times would the marbles roll into a combination that would win. "If a person stays with it long enough, he's bound to hit", the operator explained. "The trouble is with most of them, they won't stay with it. They'll throw 3 or 4 times, lose and give it up and that's where we win out. When they start doubling up, forcing them to double and loose their money in a hurry. After we've forced them up to three and four dollars, a lick, they soon go out. Of course, once in a while someone hits and then we lose. But, we have the percentage with us".

He told me quite a bit about his experiences with people. There are all kinds and you have to size them up in a hurry. Some, you have to sweep off their feet, others work up and still others give up as a bad proposition. These are called "finks" by the operators. A "fink" is a person, who will let you spend fifteen minutes showing him how free, and then move on. When the stands once get wise to a "fink", they pass the word along and none of them waste any further time with him.

The men who work the crowd are the ones who bring about the best results. When the spectator sees one of them win and receive five dollars it looks so easy he takes a try himself. It's easy to make the "fall guy" win on such a game. The operator counts up and if the red number doesn't appear his count is such that it totals to a red number. And the speaker isn't following the count closely enough to detect the error. But, when he rolls, the count is correct or if there is an error, it is against the player.

The percentage on the wheel game is the same. Some of those are under control, with a braking device by which the operator can cause the wheel to stop on given numbers. The throw games are also arranged to give the operator the percentage. The barrels are placed at a difficult angle, which can be tilted to make winning easy for the operator or for the "fall guys". The dolls that you knock off have frills to make them look larger and weights to keep them on the stands. All the breaks are in favor of the man running the stand or they wouldn't be playing. They are not there for charitable purposes despite their anxious invitation to come and get it free.

The "Bingo" stand is one that you come as near getting a run for your money as you do on any of the games of chance. "Bingo" is the oom game. There are seats all around the counter and when each seat is taken, the players are all given a numbered card and a handful of corn. Then the operator shakes up a box of numbers and starts drawing them out. As the numbers are called out, the players start placing them on the corresponding numbers on their cards. The first to get a row filled out across or down or diagonal, wins a blanket by calling out "Bingo". There's always a winner, but of course the number playing makes the operators a tidy little profit each time.

There was another stand which gave you a run for your money. It was a turtle or rather tortoise run, (Continued to last page)

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The Royal American Shows were the prettiest, the cleanest and the most orderly of any that has ever been on the Fair Grounds. The management kept an ear open to hear complaints, if any, and an eye open to see that the public was given every attention. While the weather conditions were bad, this carnival asked for dates the coming year as they believed this to be the center of a wonderful territory where they could do a good business if the weather permitted.

Ed Crowe slipped into Sikeston on Saturday morning too late to see the models. He said he could not get over any sooner and guess he was right as the Missus knew his eye for beauty, grace and shape. Poor Simon Loebe's wife took him all the way to St. Louis to keep him away. However, The Standard editor saw enough for all.

Mort Griffith says he was ashamed but looked the second time.

The young man about town, who was unable to find anyone to take the two surplus models off his hands on Wednesday night, is hereby informed that the next time he is in such a predicament, the editor will come to his assistance if the Madam is not around.



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Washington, D. C., Sept. 18.—"It ought not to be necessary to quote me as the author of Republican statements in order to bolster up the Presidents false issue of property," said Representative William A. Oldfield, Chairman of the Democratic National Congressional Committee, today, referring to a statement issued by Republican Floor Leader Tilson, from White Pine Camp.

"The statement attributed to me, that 20,000 corporations would make more this year than all the other corporations together," was made by a writer in a Republican newspaper, and I gave full credit to him and the paper. Mr. Tilson says in reply that 'if there are 20,000 corporations prospering, they have many stockholders. It (prosperity) is spread over millions'.

"This same Republican newspaper article also said that more than a majority of corporations, or about 200,000 made nothing last year. They, too have many stockholders, but there was no prosperity for them to spread over millions. These are Republican figures, but I see no reason to doubt them. They certainly do not substantiate the claim of general prosperity."

"I give full credence to Mr. Tilson's other statement from White Pine Camp 'that nothing can (will) be done to stabilize the prices of farm products and take care of the farmers' surplus', and also when he said that he did not see 'that any good purpose would be served by bringing another farm bill before the House'.

Mr. Tilson is an authority on this, and his statement is more impressive in view of the fact that he was at the time a guest of the President. He is the boss of the Republican majority in the House. If he says it is useless to bring in a farm relief bill and that nothing can (will) be done to aid the farmer by the Republican majority, the statement must be regarded as official and final.

"Mr. Tilson said at the same time: 'The tariff stands'. That is to say the Republican majority will permit no revision of the tariff at the short session."

"In all fairness to their leader in Congress the Republican Congressional and Senatorial Committee operating in the West ought to call off their speakers and writers who are telling the farmers that the Republicans will give them farm relief (which if effective must include tariff revision) at the short session or they will vote the Republican ticket this fall."

"They ought not to be permitted to so mislead the farmers when the house leader says that no relief will be granted and sends his ultimatum from the summer White House."

And now comes the Dexter Statesman with a "Mutt" parade. All mutts of the human species are barred and entries are limited to animals owned by Statesman subscribers. Four dollars is the grand prize and one dollar the consolation prize. Should be a grand spectacle.

We don't know, but we've been told that there was much competitive bidding for the box seats by the model runway. "Daddy" Felker is reported to have been one of the high bidders.

"The Monroe Doctrine, instead of bringing the Latin-American countries into closer contact with the United States, had eliminated from the minds of Latin-American peoples all fear of aggression from any portion of the world but the United States."—Leo S. Rowe, director-general of the Pan-American Union.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

This week marks the sixty-second anniversary of the Centralia Massacre and the Battle of Centralia, events of the Civil War in Missouri which are almost without parallel. The date is September 27, 1864.

"Bill" Anderson, John Thrailkill and George Todd were then at the head of a guerilla force of 350 men. After sacking the town of Allen, near where Moberly now stands, they moved eastward to the farm of Col. M. G. Singleton, which was within a few miles of Centralia. They made their camp here, and on the morning of September 27 about eighty men, led by "Bill" Anderson, entered the town. Centralia at that time was only a small village and contained one hundred inhabitants.

The bushwhackers robbed the two stores and the dozen homes of food and supplies and waited impatiently for the arrival of the stage from Columbia. When it arrived the passengers were immediately robbed. Some of the passengers, as Hon. James S. Rollins, congressman, and Sheriff Jas. H. Waugh of Boone county were noted Federal sympathizers and would have been killed or held for ransom if they had been recognized. The attention of the guerillas was soon diverted by the approach of the North Missouri (Wabash) passenger train from St. Louis.

The trainmen saw the bushwhackers and decided to put on full steam and pass that station. This was prevented by the men at the station, who hastily placed ties across the track. Others opened fire on the train, and the fireman was slightly wounded. There were about 150 people on the train, twenty-three of whom were Federal soldiers, either discharged or on furlough. They were unarmed and no shots were fired from the train.

The soldiers and passengers were robbed of money and other valuables, and the baggage car safe yielded Anderson \$3000. A much larger sum in the baggage car was not discovered, for just at this time a cry came from Frank James and others: "Good God—here's thousands of greenbacks! Whoopie! Run here, quick!" A valise had been opened which, it is said, contained \$10,000.

Many of the Federal soldiers were stripped of their uniforms to their underwear, and though jostled and kicked about by their captors and insulted and struck in the face with pistols they uttered no word of remonstrance. The passengers were ordered to leave the train and it was set on fire and the fireman was made to open the throttle. The blazing train ran about two or three miles west of town and there burned till it was completely destroyed.

At last Anderson gave the command to have the twenty-three soldiers taken to the south side of the railroad and formed in line. One man, a German, who wore a military blouse and cap protested in vain in his native tongue that he was not a soldier but he was lined up with the others. When asked what he was going to do with them, Anderson answered sardonically, "Parole them, of course." Preparations were continued and Arch Clements was placed in charge of the firing squad. Anderson's order was: "Arch, when I give the word, pour hell into them." Anderson then asked if there were any sergeants in the line. There were three or four men of that rank, but at first none spoke. When the question was repeated Sergeant Thomas M. Goodman, of Colonel Flad's First Regiment, Missouri Engineers, stepped forward. It was expected that the officers would be shot and the others released, but the opposite was true. Much to his surprise Goodman was taken out of the line, and the order given to protect him, probably for purposes of exchange.

Then Clements began to carry out his orders. The guerillas opened fire with revolvers at about twenty paces, and half the Union men fell at the first volley. Others staggered about and were shot again and again till they fell lifeless to the ground. One man, Sergeant Peters, of the Missouri Engineers, described as of herculean stature, was shot five times through the body, but fought furiously and breaking through the firing line, stumbled to the station platform. He crawled under it, but was dragged from his hiding place and shot through the head. The murdered soldiers were left lying where they fell. Most of them were from the First Iowa Cavalry and the First Missouri Engineers.

The depot was burned and the guerillas made their way back to camp, carrying their spoil. Among other things they took a large quantity of whisky in boots, both of which they had stolen from the stores.

That afternoon about three o'clock a Union force of 175 men mounted under Major A. V. E. Johnson of the 39th Missouri Infantry arrived in Centralia. He learned of the massacre, and believing that the main force of the guerillas had been overestimated he determined to pursue



them. He formed about 120 men in the open prairie, having detailed some thirty-five or forty men to care for the horses and wagons. Meanwhile the guerillas had sent out a small scouting party under Dave Pool, instructed to "toll" the Union men near the place where their main force was hidden. Major Johnson and his men followed this party and, eager to avenge the death of their comrades, came upon the guerillas near their camp. The latter had part of their force concealed and Johnson could not tell the actual number of his adversaries, so did not realize the danger of an attack. Frank James, who was with the bushwhackers, said in 1900, "I don't care what your histories say they carried a black flag. It was apparently a black apron, tied to a stick. We captured it in the battle that followed."

The battle was short but furious. The Union troops, raw recruits, were poorly mounted and armed with muzzle-loading Enfield muskets, equipped with bayonets. The guerillas, trained marksmen and born fighters, were finely mounted on fresh horses and each had from two to four revolvers. Major Johnson ordered his men to dismount, and every fourth man was left to guard the horses. The bushwhackers remained on horseback, and crouching low charged furiously upon the small force, firing with deadly effect. The Union force was completely demoralized, and panic spread among them. The men who were holding the horses tried to flee, but they were pursued and killed. No quarter was asked or given. It is estimated that not more than twelve men, at most, could have escaped, and Major Johnson was killed—some say by a bullet fired by Jesse James Captain Smith of Adair County, and Lieutenant Stratford, of Clark County, also were killed. The guerilla loss was two killed and three wounded.

After the retirement of the guerillas the people of Centralia gathered the dead bodies and brought them on the platform of the depot. A number were taken to Mexico for burial, and seventy-nine were buried in a single long trench near the railroad, in the eastern part of Centralia. Not long afterward the trench was enclosed by a plank fence, and at the head of it was placed a limestone monument, fifteen feet in height, inscribed with the words: "The remains of Companies A, G and H, Thirty-ninth Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry, who were killed in action at Centralia Mo., on the 27th day of September, 1864, are interred here." Several years later, the trench was reopened and the remains taken to Jefferson City and reburied in one common grave, in the National Cemetery at that place. It is reported that every body reinterred showed a bullet hole in the forehead directly between the eyes.

AMERICA ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY YEARS AGO

Harlem Heights, N. Y., September 18, 1776.—General Washington's army is erecting strong entrenchments on Harlem Heights and preparing to oppose vigorously any advance of General Howe's army in this direction. The soldiers are still rejoicing over their success of two days ago in meeting the enemy in open battle and pushing them back nearly three times their own number. Their general has not neglected to tell them how pleasing their performance was to him after his vexation of the day before when he saw them panic-stricken upon the landing of the enemy at Kip's Bay. In yesterday's camp orders he says:

"The general most heartily thanks the troops commanded yesterday by Major Deitch who first advanced on the enemy, and the others who so resolutely supported them. The be-

havior of yesterday is such a contrast to that of some troops the day before as must show what may be done where officers and soldiers will exert themselves. Once more, therefore, the general calls upon officers and men to act up to the noble cause in which they are engaged and support the honor and liberties of their country."

The heights of Harlem are well situated for a stubborn defense. On one side, at the foot of a steep slope, is the Harlem River, while the summit can be reached by land only, climbing equally steep, rock-covered hills. Since Bunker's Hill General Howe has had great respect for American soldiers behind breastworks. The battle of the 16th should give him great respect for American soldiers fighting in an open field without breastworks. If he assaults these heights he will have to reckon with breastworks manned by the soldiers who drove him off the open field.

Gen. Thomas Knowlton of Connecticut who was killed on the 16th was buried today with full military honors. He was a veteran of Bunker Hill and the siege of Boston, and he and his rangers were always sure to be the general's first choice for any enterprise requiring unusual bravery. Captain Knowlton's 16-year-old son was fighting by his side when he fell. The boy tried to help his father, but the captain knew that his wound was fatal and told the lad to continue to do his duty in the battle.

"Leith" was the parole word yesterday in honor of Major Lieth of Virginia who was mortally wounded when General Knowlton was killed.

A tragedy took place in Sikeston Monday night. A truck, driver unknown, came speeding down New Madrid street and negotiated the turn at the Hotel Marshall at a fast clip. The truck got around the turn alright, but all of its cargo didn't. A gallon jug of whisky rolled off and broke in the middle of the street. The truck kept on going, the driver making no effort to salvage the spilt moonshine.



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DEMOCRATIC POSITION ON THE TARIFF

The Democratic position on the tariff is that the Constitution authorized a tariff by Congress only for the purpose of raising revenue (hence the term—a tariff for revenue only) and not for the purpose of preventing revenue by prohibiting imports on any special commodity.

The abuse has grown up since the Civil War in which tariff schedules have been used to protect monopoly by making the tariff rates so high as to exclude commodities and enable certain particular persons to establish an American monopoly easily by preventing outside competition.

This process of unlawfully excluding commodities by tariff schedules for the purpose of protecting monopoly, and imposing unfair prices on American consumers has been designated by former Democratic platforms as a "robber tariff", because it held up the American consumer and rob him by unfair prices over the merchants' counter.

An honest Republican does not advocate a tariff "higher than the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad", and the Democratic

tic schedules are more than equal to the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad. Incidentally they afford a protection as high as anyone has a right to ask.

The theory that the Democrats are disposed to be negligent or indifferent, much less hostile to American manufactures is a political falsehood.

The Democratic Party has the urgent desire to bring prosperity in America to all the people. But they know that the prosperity of the country cannot depend upon some of the people defrauding other of the people.

It is a fraud to write a tariff schedule to prohibit imports.

LONG HAIR FINDS CHAMPION

According to Dr. Oscar L. Levin, in the International-Cosmopolitan, women rapidly are approaching that condition where feminine pulchritude will be on the wane and increasing baldness will not be man's prerogative alone. All this because of the fads such as bobbed hair and "beauty treatments".

Chinese women's feet are tortured; our women's hair is tortured, he writes. All sorts of waving and curling seem necessary to the mode. Naturally straight hair must be curled; curly hair must be straightened. Deformity at any price seems to be the slogan of those who set styles in hair-dressing and those who follow them. Hair must be twisted and soaked and fried and stewed. "Permanent" waves, curling with irons, curl papers and crimps, cold wave waving and all such artificial distortions of the hair structure render it dry and lifeless and brittle.

Because of these facts, and because of the law of Nature that any tissue mistreated is in time killed off, women may some day be as bald as men, if bobbing continues, and at any rate their hair will be as short, naturally, as men's.

What will happen if the mode changes, as it now gives signs of doing, is an interesting speculation. Women who let their hair grow again are quite apt to find it has changed materially since it was bobbed. It will be coarser, stiffer, dryer, less lustrous.—K. C. Star.

A large pocket of beach sand, unlike any in the vicinity, was recently found in a solid block of marble at Middlebury, Vermont.

The cobra is deaf to all sounds, its hearing apparatus consisting of a delicate membrane which receives only ground vibrations. Indian charmers, knowing this, tap the box or basket in which the reptile is kept, partly stunning the creature by the force of the vibrations. It is thus rendered tractable so it can be handled.

JAPANESE BEETLE FOUND IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A lone bandit of the Japanese beetle variety was discovered recently making a tour of new territory in a garden not far from the National Capitol. So far as is known this is the first member of the "outlaw insect" to visit the District of Columbia. The incident was reported to the United States Department of Agriculture, where it was considered of such importance that a search was made to determine whether the bug had any followers or not.

Under experienced leadership ten members of the local Boy Scout organization were employed to explore the gardens and other likely hiding places. After a five-day search the entomologists were convinced that the beetle was a straggler that had gained entry from the infested areas of New Jersey, Delaware, or eastern Pennsylvania, possibly by doing a "hitch-hike" via automobile, airplane, or train, as no others were found which would indicate an established infestation.

At present this highly injurious insect is confined to a comparatively small area of the United States around Philadelphia. Quarantine measures and inspection of products that carry infestation are enforced to retard spread of the beetle as much as possible. Prompt action in locating the extent and source of new infestations is highly important in delaying its spread.

POULTRY EXPERT TO BE WITH POULTRY SHOW

Jefferson City September 27.—In addition to the list of agricultural lecturers who will accompany the Dairy and Poultry Exhibit, in Southeast Missouri, it is announced that Dr. L. D. LeGear of the LeGear Medicine Co., St. Louis, will be with the show in Sikeston on October 14, 15, and 16.

Dr. LeGear is a poultry expert who is devoting most of his time to educational work along the line of poultry raising and also live stock, and will give a lecture or two, along with moving pictures, in the large lecture tent.

If you are having any trouble whatever with your poultry, do not fail to come to these meetings where you will learn the cause of the trouble. If you have any sick chickens, do not fail to ask Dr. LeGear about them—he will answer all questions.

The superstition that breaking a mirror brings bad luck dates from the time when magicians consulted mirrors. These, if broken, could give no replies.

FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

The certainty that the span of life is short and the probability that it may be much less than three-score years and ten should awaken in the heart of every man and woman an earnest desire to finish their life work before they are called from the world.

The present should be the supreme moment in the life of everyone. Each person should realize that in their manner of living during the present will have important bearing upon their future lives. With these facts before us, we should put out whole souls into the work of the present and let every moment be filled full of courageous service.

The greatest service in this world is the service for others, for no life is really filled with happiness until it is helpful to others. Everyone must feel the spirit of fellowship in all that we do for humanity. Man or woman, to be really happy, must seek to make others happy and give no thought to self.

Life finds its radiance and supreme worth in its satisfaction of unselfish service, in little acts of kindness and love. To do our whole duty is to uphold, cherish and help others; to lift, not lean upon others. Only in this service and fellowship with others may we hope to attain the life whose length of eternal purpose, whose breadth of sympathy, whose height of faith and whose depth of love are equal.

Greet your fellowman with a handshake, a hearty "hello" and a smile. They often cheer the lonely and sad hearts, and the day of many a man is made brighter and happier because of the fact that he was greeted on his way to his work by a hearty "good-morning" and a bright smile from a fellowman.

Because you are better off financially than your less fortunate brother does not make you one bit better than he, for some of the noblest souls in existence are found sometimes beneath the threadbare jackets of the day-laborer or, perhaps, the tramp.

Courtesy and politeness cost nothing. Riches do not make the man or woman, and in the end, when the final summons comes to us all, money cannot buy a seat upon the throne of Almighty God in heaven and your snobbery and ill-treatment of your fellowman here will not prove to your credits there.

Serve and be kind to your fellowman. It was unselfish service that Edgar Guest had in mind when he wrote the following poem:

He has not served who gathers gold,
Nor has he served whose life is told
In selfish battle he has won
Of deeds of skill that he has done.
But he has served who now and then
Has helped along his fellow man.

The world needs many men today;
Red-blooded men along life's way;
With cheerful smiles and helping hands

And with the faith that understands
The beauty of the simple deed
Which serves another's hour of need.

Strong men to stand beside the weak,
Kind men to hear what others speak,
True men to keep our country's laws,
And guard its honors and its cause;
Men who will bravely play life's game

Nor ask rewards of gold or fame.
Teach me to do the best I can
To help and cheer our fellow man;
Teach me to lose my selfish need,
And glory in the larger deed
Which smoothes the road and lights the day

For all who chance to come my way.
—The Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tenn.)

NO PLACE FOR A LADY

At a small, country station, a freight train pulled in and sidetracked for the passenger train. The passenger arrived and pulled out; then the freight started to do its switching. A placid well dressed woman had alighted from the passenger train and was passing close to one of the freight brakemen when he yelled to his buddy:

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This applies to everything you buy. Insist on statements and check back when the goods are delivered. Everyone makes mistakes and most people are glad to correct them so why let your budget suffer by your negligence to check back.—K. C. Star

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President

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however. The tortoises were gathered together in a basket in the center until all of the numbered holes in the wooden fence around the edge were sold. Then, an electric heater was placed over the turtles to heat them up and the basket was taken off. The tortoise first entering one of the holes won a dollar for the owner of the number. I had always harbored the idea that tortoises were slow moving creatures, but that illusion was shattered. The heat certainly stimulated them into action and they didn't have any trouble finding a hole. It would have been lots more fun, if they'd just let them crawl along at their natural gait. But, then they wouldn't have made operating expenses. And it would never do for them to do that.

The carnival was a pretty sight at night. You could see the ferris wheel and the merry mix-up from the road before you entered the grounds. They were a mass of electric lights and they added to the gaiety of the place. The merry-go-round, with its caliope or music box in the center, gave that necessary carnivalish sound. The carnival was all in one place this year instead of scattered out as heretofore. You entered the midway through a gateway that was emblazoned with "Royal American Shows" in electric lights. The midway circled the rides, the shows and stands being on the outer edge.

The carnival was really of a rather high-class nature. One failed to find the ten advertised rides, there being as far as I observed, the "Merry mix-up", the "Whip", the "Merry-go-round", the "Ferris Wheel", and a new ride called the "Hey Dey". Possibly the "Buggy Ride" might also be included. The company also had a "Caterpillar", but it was in the hospital for repairs and is to be taken on again at Cape Girardeau.

The "Ferris Wheel" was a disappointment. It is fool proof as advertised, but making it so had the same effect that taking the alcohol out of beer had on that drink. Neither has any kick. You are shut up in a cage. You feel like a monkey only there is no one to feed you peanuts. It is a mighty high wheel though, and you get a splendid view of the grounds from the top. It's a pretty picture, the swarming people below, the colorful stands and, rides, the grandstand and concessions and far up at the other end of the grounds, the field of parked cars.

The "Merry-mix-up," a high revolving tower with seats on the suspended chains, swings you far out over the crowd at a dizzying pace. Lots

of fun there. Furnished some of the boys a good opportunity to study human anatomy, too.

The "Hey Dey" was the best. It was a new one on me. Sort of a whip idea, a series of automobile cars on a swinging, dipping, belt arrangement. The number ten car in particular traveled at a breath-taking clip. It was worth the price of admission just to see the expressions on people's faces as they took the curves and whirled around backwards.

Monkey auto racers proved a big attraction. Didn't get to see them, but heard the pop-pop-pop of their motors as they sped around. The giant was real. He was eight feet, nine inches. Didn't have to pay to see him (that is I didn't). Saw him come out in street clothes after the performance one night. He was tall all right and they say he wore a ring big enough to slip a half dollar thru. Also a 15 shoe.

The "Hawaiian Villagers" didn't look to me like they had ever seen Hawaii. They were too white and their free performance wasn't convincing. But, maybe that on the inside was more appealing. Lots of people went at any rate.

The aforementioned "Buggy Ride" was a good one. You climbed a flight of steps, wandered about thru a labyrinth of dark passages and finally found yourself at the head of a chute. Here you seated yourself on a seat, the attendant pulled the lever and down you shot on to a fast travelling belt platform which carried you out onto the ground. It was quite a spectacle to watch the descent onto the platform. It is rumored that Charles Hebbeler and Charlie Blanton tried to buy the show.

"The Alps" was quite worthwhile or at least immensely diverting. The whole show depended upon the efforts of a magician. His sleight of hand tricks were good. He created balls and made them disappear and pulled off a number of clever tricks. The big thing, was making a woman float in the air. As he said, "It may be a trick, but if it is, it's a darned good trick at that". It was. We knew it was a fake of some sort, but we don't know how. The woman walked upon the platform, stretched out upon the couch and the magician proceeded to hypnotize her. When she was under his influence, he proceeded to make a motion which seemingly had the effect of causing her to arise from the couch and into the air, motionless and rigid. He moved the couch down from the platform. He took an iron hoop and went from one end of the platform to the other with the hoop around her body to

show that there was no wire attachment. Then he caused the body to move back and forth. We couldn't tell how it was done, unless in some manner the hoop could be worked around wires and it certainly appeared to be a solid hoop. We wished we had Houdini there to show it up. We'd like to know how it was done. The Alps themselves were an electrical reproduction showing people and houses and everything. A complete day in the Alps. It was unusual and interesting.

The sideshow contained a laughing hyena, John Henry, the ape man, with the greatest collection of beard and hair I ever saw. I had seen him before dressed in street clothes, walking through the grounds and I had classed him as a number one Russian Bolshevik. He told the story of his life among the apes and his fight for life. Then came the trained monkeys. Funny little people. A fire-eater next exhibited. He was right beside the monkeys and he drove them back with his fire. As I saw him take the flame into his mouth and watched the funny expression on the monkeys' face, I wondered which one of the two had evolved the furthest. The Texas Lollypop, a fat negress, weighing some 500 pounds, was next. She was a ponderous creature and shook all over as she danced and sang. The ground shook, too. The kangaroo completed the attractions.

Negro minstrels. How those darlings can dance. They have white people backed off the boards at that game. It's a natural sense of rhythm they possess. They certainly know how to pick 'em up and put 'em down.

It ought to be against the law to exhibit such a thing as "Azora". She was in a pit with a mess of snakes and ate live chickens for the amusement of spectators. It caused us to wonder just how low people will sink for money. Capitalizing such an unfortunate as that, certainly doesn't speak well for the human race.

Alice, the wonder girl, was a head, kept alive by a food injected into the base of her brain, the demonstrator told us. A doctor friend informed us that it was a mirror illusion. We believed him despite the fact that the demonstrator told us that the head would be passed around the first performance on the last night. We haven't found anyone who saw that performance.

A penny show did lots of business and the boxing bag caught the eye of many a stalwart youth from the country. What a kick they got out of seeing what a powerful blow they could register. Perhaps the Tunney-

Dempsey fight to some degree accounted for the popularity of this business.

A fair crowd is a fascinating one. One has to elbow one's way about, but it's worth it. Beggars, crippled limbs in sight to attract the pity and sympathy of the passerby. A hat to receive his coin. Professional beggin gis a lucrative profession, so I am told. Some of the beggars, who follow the Fairs about, earn enough during the summer season to support a fine home, send their family to private schools and drive a big car and at the same time maintain a comfortable bank balance. There is a factory which specializes in making harnesses to strap up the body and make it appear horribly deformed. The only trouble is, the beggars say, the profession is getting too crowded.

Gypsy fortune tellers and palmists. Heavy flowing dresses, bright colored bandana handkerchiefs as head-dresses. These dresses afford excellent concealment for stolen articles.

The bored town people to whom the Fair is no novelty, there to see the crowd and to help out the Fair Association, don't you know. Really, can't get any thrill out of it at all after the things seen in the city.

"Fall guys" or confidence men mingling with the crowd, dressed to appear hickish, but unable to keep the hard, sophisticated lines off their face.

Children having a big time. Gazing with opened eyes wonder at all of the marvels of the carnival and concessions. Hoky poky, spun candy, whips, balloons, novelties of all sorts took their attention.

Families from the country. One family in particular. Six of them, a man, his wife and four children, the two daughters apparently grown. All dressed in dirty, tattered overalls. All lean as emaciated rats and a swarthy brown. Their mouths hung open with astonishment. I wondered where they came from.

Negroes. What a swarm of them there was that first day. I think every negro in the county was either a school child or a school teacher, judging from the free tickets given away. And on the succeeding days. They hung about the gate in crowds waiting for them to be thrown open and after the fireworks, when they were opened, a regular tidal wave surged in.

And as you look the Fair crowd over, you wonder where they get the money. Some of them look like they never expected to own another dollar, but they all manage to get there and all manage to have a good time. Even the last day, when a rain and chilling drop in temperature caused the Fair program to be called off, there was a crowd there. Perhaps the opening of the gates caused some of the people to come. At last they could get something free. But, there they were making the rounds. And, if it had snowed, they still would have been there, I'm sure. Such is human nature.

Anthony Bakona and Anna, and Mrs. Edna Cramer came down from St. Louis Sunday for a visit with the family of Tom Myers.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Reba F. Lee, Plaintiff,
vs.
Robert L. Lee, Defendant,
In the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri.
To the November Term, 1926
Action for Divorce and Change of Name

No. 3284
Now on this 21st day of September, 1926, in vacation of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri comes the plaintiff by her attorney, before the undersigned Clerk of said Court and files her petition and affidavit for divorce and change of name, alleging among other things that the whereabouts of the defendant is unknown to her. Whereupon it is ordered by the undersigned Clerk of said Court, in vacation, that publication be made notifying said defendant that the plaintiff in the above entitled cause has commenced an action against him in this Court the object and general nature of which is to dissolve the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and the defendant and for change of name. And unless said defendant be and appear before this Court on or before the first day of the next regular term thereof to be begun and held at the Court House in the town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in November, 1926, then and there before the Judge of said Court answer or plead to plaintiff's petition in said cause the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed in the petition.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published for four weeks successively in The Skeston Standard, a weekly newspaper published in Scott County, Missouri to be published once a week for four successive weeks the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said November Term, 1926 of said Court.

H. F. KIRKPATRICK, Clerk.
A TRUE copy from the record.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand (SEAL) and affixed the seal of said Court. Done at office in Benton, Missouri, this 21st day of September, 1926.

H. F. KIRKPATRICK,
Circuit Clerk.

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Notice is hereby given that I will visit the places named below, on the dates set opposite thereto, for the purpose of collecting taxes for the year 1926.

Chaffee—Friday and Saturday	October 1-2
New Hamburg—Monday	" 4
Kelso—Friday	" 8
Commerce—Saturday	" 9
Blodgett—Monday	" 11
Morley—Tuesday	" 12
Oran—Wednesday and Thursday	" 13-14
Illmo—Friday and Saturday	" 15-16
Fornfelt—Monday and Tuesday	" 18-19
Ancell—Wednesday	" 20
Sikeston—Thursday and Friday	" 21-22
Diehlstadt—Monday	" 25
Perkins—Tuesday	" 26
Vanduser—Wednesday	" 27
Crowder—Thursday (forenoon only)	" 28
Tanner—Thursday (afternoon only)	" 28

In writing for tax statements to pay by mail please do so before December 15, as our time will be taken up with cash business after that date.

EMIL STECK

Collector Scott County, Mo.

Mrs. S. W. Hale of St. Louis is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Myers and Jack Shubert.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector of the Revenue in and for the County of Scott in the State of Missouri, Plaintiff,

vs.
Viola Fields, H. L. Fields, F. N. Williams, L. L. Williams, James McPheeters, J. A. B. Williams and Edgar Fields, Defendants.
In the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri. To the November Term, 1926. Order of Publication.

No. 3229
Suit for Back Taxes.

Now on this 23rd day of August, 1926, comes the plaintiff by attorney, H. C. Blanton, and shows to the court that a summons has been issued in this cause directed to the sheriff of Scott County, Missouri, which said summons has been returned non est as to defendants F. N. Williams, L. L. Williams, J. A. B. Williams and Edgar Fields, and it appearing to the court that said defendants cannot be served with summons in this action, it is ordered by the court that publication be made notifying said defendants that the plaintiff in the above entitled cause has commenced an action against them in this court the object and general nature of which is to enforce the payment and the lien of the plaintiff for back taxes for the years 1921, 1922 and 1923, in the sum of \$121.20 and interest and costs against the following described real estate, to-wit:

All of Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9) in Block One (1) in Woodward's Second Addition to the Village of Vanduser, Scott County, Missouri; and unless said defendants be and appear before this court on or before the first day of the next regular term thereof, to be begun and held at the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in November next 1926, and on or before the first day of said term answer or plead to plaintiff's petition in said cause the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed in the petition and said property sold to satisfy the judgment and lien of the plaintiff. It is further

er ordered that a copy hereof be published for four weeks successively in The Skeston Standard, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in Scott County, Missouri, to be published once a week for four successive weeks the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said November Term, 1926 of said court, to which term this

cause is continued.
A true copy from the record.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand (SEAL) and affixed the seal of said court. Done at office in Benton, Missouri, this 9th day of September, 1926.
H. F. KIRKPATRICK,
Circuit Clerk



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Southeast Missouri District Fair Again Meets With Bad Weather

Ruinous weather again made its annual appearance in connection with the annual Southeast Missouri Fair. The Fair opened Wednesday morning, the day being hot and sultry and the weather threatening. At noon, with the dismissal of schools over the county, the crowd began rolling in, school children and teachers being admitted free. Before the afternoon's program was finished, a crowd estimated at seven thousand persons had passed through the gates. The rain held off until after the races, a brisk shower sweeping the grounds about 5:30 that afternoon. The shower settled the dust, cooled off the air and made the evening delightful, the only damage being to the fireworks that evening, several of the special pieces failing to fire.

Thursday was again threatening, but the program went off without interruption and Friday was the big day, the attendance being the greatest of any day during the week. Saturday was ruinous, a cold rain storm sweeping down from the north during the night to lower the temperature to such a point that it was impossible to carry out the race program. The gates were thrown open to the public and those who cared to brave the cold were welcome to attend the carnival. Some thousand or more people took advantage of this opportunity.

Exact attendance figures and financial statement have not been compiled as the treasurer is out of town, but the Fair went heavily in debt as a result of the unfavorable weather. A good day Saturday would have put them in the clear.

New Features at Fair Attract
The Southeast Missouri District Fair was known and advertised as the first "Jazz Fair" in this section. As it presented a number of new features to the Fair-goer this year, The Agricultural Hall was given over to various merchant exhibits. Not a one of these but what was attractive and to the average person at least as interesting as the old farm displays. Chief of these in interest, perhaps, was the Radio display showing all of the new types of radios and radio accessories. In connection with the Radio Show was a new system of announcing. Loud speakers were distributed over the entire grounds and buildings so that announcements from the judge's stand, stage platform, and Agricultural Hall could be heard everywhere. The music by the band, the orchestra and the songs of the performers were also broadcast over the grounds.

In the buildings given over to the automobiles, interesting exhibits were seen, the newest types of cars being on display. These shining new cars attracted the attention and interest of many a family and they came back again and again to admire some particular model.

Free Acts of High Class
For the free acts, a platform was constructed fronting the center of the grandstand. These acts were of unusually high class and were highly praised by everyone. The first act, was acrobatic in nature. Two men furnished it and their performance was excellent. Both men had perfect control of their muscles and balanced and tumbled and went through the most difficult stunts with seeming ease and grace.

The second act was Uncle Josh and Aunt Samanthly Simpkins and their trained pig, Pork Chops. Uncle Josh and Aunt Samanthly were just simple country folks come in to see the Fair. They brought their trained pig along with them and with his tricks, he amused everyone. Uncle Josh's proposal and the duet the two sang, "We're Not As Young As

We Used To Be", were their big hits.

Following their appearance, a comic acrobatic stunt was staged, the two acrobats being assisted by their wives, the four giving a most creditable performance.

The last free act was a skating act and it was a good one. The two men and young lady certainly managed to get about on wheels. The climax of the stunt was the whirling of the young lady about in the air by one of the men, her only method of holding on being by one foot hooked about his neck. It was breath-taking. Their "Apache" dance was also mighty clever.

The free acts were sandwiched in between the afternoon's races. The races this year were better than usual, the horses being a classy lot. It was a colorful sight to see the horses lining up at the barrier, stamping and pivoting about to gain position, break loose as the barrier lifted and sweep down the track and around the turn the jockeys with their multi-colored jackets clinging close to the backs of their mounts like so many monkeys. Then on the back-stretch fighting for position around the far turn and down into the home stretch for the finish. Some mighty close races, driving finishes to win out by a nose.

Style Show Makes Hit
The Style Show was the big hit of the Fair. Showing women's wear from The Mathis Store, Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co., and the Farmers Dry Goods, the ten models which Major Levy brought with him from St. Louis, made a big hit. The platform was rearranged for the Style Show each evening, an artistic background being set up for the models. They made their entrance from a dressing room under the grandstand and the lithe grace with which they walked, their splendid carriage and pretty faces went over big. The Paradise Garden Orchestra furnished the music to accompany them. The first night the show was delayed by the blowing out of a fuse just as Major Levy was ready to introduce the first model. During the wait, a number of musical selections were furnished by Misses Moore and Zell, who have broadcasted from a number of St. Louis radio stations. Their numbers made the long wait speed hurriedly. The first night, street garments were shown, the second evening, fall wraps and more street dresses. The last night, evening clothes and wraps were displayed.

Everyone was highly pleased with the Style Show and it is doubtless one of the attractions which will be featured in the Fairs to come.

Fireworks Brilliant
Each night after the Style Show, a display of fireworks was presented. These were more elaborate than ordinarily, some of the feature pieces being "Niagara Falls", "Liberty Bell", "Paul Revere", "American Flag" and the "Goodnight". Rockets, a sham battle, whistling showers, flaming ghosts, pin wheels and bombs were shot off in a profusion which kept the sky illuminated.

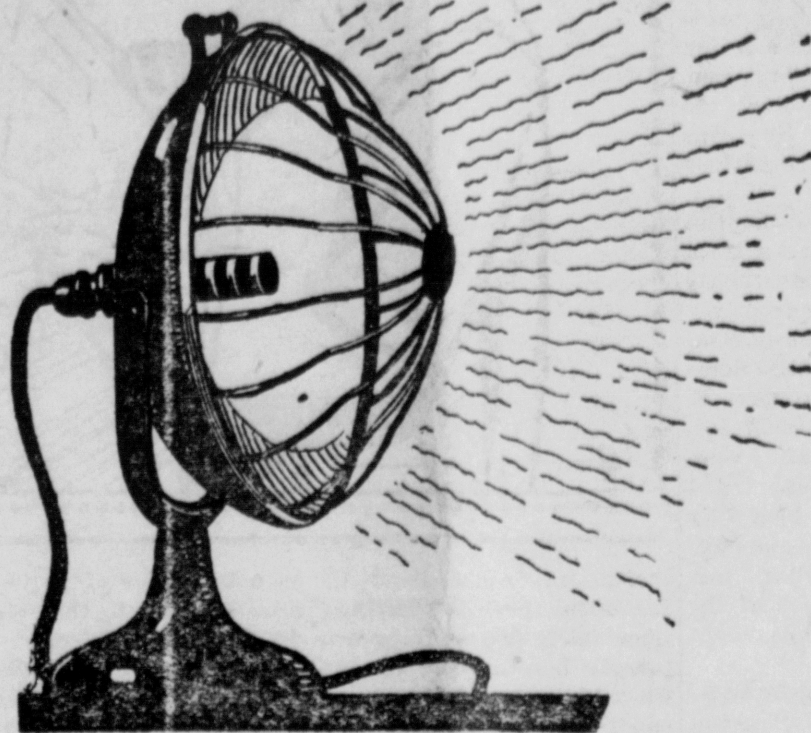
Dancing Pavilion Busy
The newly built dancing pavilion, with the Paradise Garden Orchestra furnishing the music, was the scene of much merriment each night following the fireworks. This orchestra is one of the best ever to play in Sikeston and their music was greatly appreciated, not only by the dancers, but by all of those attending the Style Show at night.

Carnival One of the Best
The carnival, arranged all at the west end of the grounds was of a high type, the shows being for the most part, entertaining and attractive. The rides were superior to those of any other carnival to visit Sikeston and the crowd seemed well pleased with the company.

Concessions Numerous
There were more concessions on the ground this year than ever before, a continuous line-up from the Agricultural Hall to the carnival grounds being laid out. These included food stands, lottery games and many other games of chance.

Dirigibles Fail to Come
Many people were disappointed at the failure of the dirigibles TC-7 and RS-1 to appear at the Fair. It was announced Wednesday that if the weather permitted, they would come Thursday and that the TC-7 would remain over until Friday. Captain Hugo Miller from Scott Field was at the Fair making arrangements for the landing.

Thursday morning, the weather



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was threatening and squally and the dirigibles did not leave the field. It was announced that they would make the trip Friday if possible, but unfavorable weather conditions again kept them in the hangers at Scott Field.

CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE TO VISIT SCOTT COUNTY

J. F. Fulbright, Democratic candidate for Congress from this district, will visit Scott County this week-end. Mr. Fulbright will speak in Blodgett, Friday night at 7:30; in Morley, Saturday at 2:00 p. m. at Oran at 4:00 p. m., at Chaffee at 8:00 p. m.

Mr. Fulbright has represented this district in Congress before, making a creditable record. He is a pleasant man to meet and has a great many friends over the district.

FORD TO BE GIVEN AWAY AT LATER DATE

The Ford car which the Fair Association was to have given away to the holder of the lucky ticket on Saturday will be given away at a later date. Due to the bad weather, the Fair Board decided it would not be fair to the holders of tickets in distant towns and for that reason the Ford was not given away. The date will be publicly announced later.

We serve breakfast in the tea room annex. 1t.

FOR RENT—5-room house, furnished or unfurnished.—J. W. Black. 2t.

One of our carrier boys failed us last Monday evening, which caused much annoyance to the subscribers and to the office. We trust this will not occur again.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Blanton of the Paris Appeal were guests at the editor's house Thursday and Friday nights. They were in attendance at the State Press meeting at Cape Girardeau and spent the nights in Sikeston.

Waffles and coffee served in the Tea Room Annex. 1t.

RILEY CASE MAY BE POSTPONED UNTIL LATER

The case of the State of Missouri versus Frank Riley for the murder of Charles F. McMullin, which was set by Judge Kelly for trial at Bloomfield on Tuesday, October 5, may be postponed until later. The difficulty comes about through the engagement of the defense counsel in other courts on that date. It is expected that Judge Kelly will set a later date. The first trial resulted in a hung jury.

DAILEY STORE AT VANDUSER CHANGED HANDS LAST WEEK

The S. M. Dailey store at Vanduser, run by Mrs. Dailey since the death of her husband several months ago, was purchased by J. L. Arnold, who has been operating a store at McMullin. Mr. Arnold plans to move his entire stock from McMullin to Vanduser and center his attention upon that store. Mrs. Dailey will continue to live in Vanduser, looking after her other business interests there.

FOR RENT—Rooms for light house-keeping, modern. Call 382. 1t.

LOST—2 Yale keys, on ring, Thursday, Sept. 23. Return to this office for reward. 2t.

FOR RENT—Three rooms furnished or unfurnished. Call second house of Presbyterian church. 3 tpd.

FOR RENT—5-room house, bath and light, \$25. Also, 3-room house, \$10. Both newly papered.—Theo. Slack 1t.

FOUND—One key ring. Ford key and Yale lock key. Owner may have same for payment of this ad at office. 1t.

FOR RENT—2 unfurnished rooms on Kathleen Avenue, Chamber of Commerce Addition.—Mrs. R. L. Israel. 3tpd.

LAST CALL: Old mattresses made new. Feather beds made into mattresses. Call Mrs. Ballard, residence. Ask for mattress man. 1tpd.

LADIES, who can do plain sewing at home and want profitable spare time work. No canvassing. Write (Enclose Stamp) to AMSTERDAM DRESS COMPANY, Amsterdam, N. Y., Dept. D". 1tpd.

SIKESTON BOOSTER CLUB CAR WON BY MRS. C. L. HITE

Mrs. C. L. Hite, of Sikeston, was the holder of the lucky number which called for the Ford car given away by the Sikeston Booster Club, Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock.

The members of the Booster Club had been issuing tickets the past two months with each purchase, the tickets being good for a chance on the car. When the drawing took place Tuesday afternoon, traffic was blocked on Front and New Madrid streets by the crowd of people assembled. The first number drawn proved the lucky one and a shower of tickets went up into the air as people threw away the now worthless bits of paste, board.

TAKES POSITION AS BANK CASHIER AT BLODGETT

George Pearman returned last Monday to the Blodgett Bank, where he takes the position of cashier. Mr. Pearman, who has been with the Bank of Desloge at Desloge, Mo., was cashier of the Blodgett Bank twelve years ago, resigning to become county clerk of Scott County. After serving eight years in that capacity, he returned to the banking business going to Desloge from the Sikeston Trust Company.

Mr. Pearman succeeds A. L. Marshall who is moving to Cape Girardeau.

TO HOLD TRACHOMA CLINIC IN KENNETT, SEPTEMBER 28-29

A free trachoma clinic will be held in Kennett, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 28 and 29. Trachoma is a very old disease. It can be traced in some families for a hundred or more years. One of the commonest signs is the falling out of the lashes and the burning of the lids. Anyone having sore eyes is invited to take advantage of this opportunity to have their eyes treated by the experts from the United States Public Health Service free of all charge.

"In My Way" Visits The Fair And Gives His Impression of It

Fair time. New gateway. Hardly an artistic triumph, but the lure paid for the ads I daresay is balm sufficient to offset the lack of aesthetic beauty. From the fair directors standpoint at any rate.

Cars parked at east end. Much more convenient arrangement. All kinds of cars. Lincolns, Fords. Also other makes. All kinds of condition. There were the most disreputable looking Fords imaginable. They might have been resurrected from some junk heap for the occasion. They were for the most part the property of negro cotton pickers. One thing I noted was the generosity of the negroes. I didn't see a single negro car, but which was filled to capacity and overflowing with negroes. And I did see lots of cars driven by white people with one and two occupants. But, perhaps the large negro families accounts for what I took to be generosity. I don't know.

I never saw such an outlay of concessions. From the Agricultural Building to the carnival Midway, one continuous line-up. Hot food stands. Blanket games. Games of chance. And from all of them came the beguiling voices of the proprietors. It's fascinating just to walk up and down, watch the crowd and listen to the barkers. "Here's where you get those good homemade sandwiches", calls one with queer little rising and falling inflections in his voice. "Come right over and get 'em while they're red ho-o-o-t-t", pleads another. "Hot dogs, a nickel". "Ice cream sandwiches". "Cold Soda". "Popcorn and peanuts. They're fresh roasted". But to me, the concession food did not appear very palatable. Piles of hamburgers and frankfurters, ham sandwiches cut, fixed in readiness for the trade. Smell of stale grease and fish. Fried chicken, an unhealthy brown. Bowls of lemonade and orange ade. Chefs, dirty and hot looking. Raucous voices. Business did not seem to be very good, but perhaps it was better at the noon and supper hours. Lots of people found it cheaper to stay on the grounds and eat and save their night gate charges. Can't blame them for that, either.

And with the calls of the food stands, blended in the wheedling pleading notes of the grafting places. "Come right over and I'll show you how, free". And if that didn't attract your interest, "Hey you, come here a minute. Want to show you something", and there was a pleading note in their voices that many found irresistible.

I suppose it's the natural desire of a person to get something for nothing that causes him to fall victim to the swindle schemes. The sharpers bank heavily on that. "Come over and win a blanket free. Won't cost you a thing. Just show you how easy it is". And so, over the victim goes, thinking he'll have the fun of playing once for nothing and then walk away. It sounds easy, but it takes a strong will power to do it. I know. You see, I rather pride myself on being sufficiently intellectual to resist all such luring appeals. So, I stopped at one of the blanket stands to watch the fun. That's where I made a mistake. I furnished the fun. It was almost worth it at that. This particular little get-something-for-nothing game was a marble game, played on a bread board. A rail of nails driven around the edges, held the marbles in. They were arranged in any order you chose at the top and you then tipped the board up and the marbles rolled down into a series of numbered runways. You then counted up according to the runways and if the total number your marbles counted up to, corresponded with any of the red numbers on the board you won a blanket or five dollars, as you chose. If it came out black, you lost.

Well, to make a sad story short, I won one free. Of course, I didn't get it. Then one of the sharpers who works the crowd, came along and wanted me to roll for him. I rolled and won. He started to take the blanket, hesitated and then his companion told him to take the money. He did.

"Now you roll once for yourself", he said, and put up the money. Again I rolled. This time it came up black. And here's where I became a casualty. The operator laid out the five and the fifty cent piece, his confederate had put up for me to play on and said, "Now, if you win, you win it all back". Both of his associates urged me to play. I did. I lost. He put out another five. Double it. Put up a dollar and you win eleven". The

fever had me, and so I started in to get my money back. I didn't.

One fellow, I heard about, did. It cost him some sixty-five dollars to play the game and when he lost it all, he took his troubles to the officers. They got it back for him. He might have remembered his lesson longer if they hadn't. I think I will and I didn't lose sixty-five, either.

It's always hurt me to spend my money for nothing, so I decided to go back to the stand the next morning. I didn't go back with any intention of winning. In fact, I left my money at home to make sure that no one noticed it away from me. Really, one almost feels like there was a big vacuum cleaner trying to suck all the money out of his pockets as he goes down that row of concessions. And it's almost that bad. But my idea was to get the inside stuff on these games. And so, I just came out and asked the operator to tell me about it.

He tried to inveigle me into playing again at first, but when he found out he couldn't do any good, he loosened up. He showed me the board. There wasn't any fake about it as far as his having control over it was concerned. It was a plain bread board with common ordinary nails driven into it to form the runways. But the number arrangement was such that only about once in twenty times would the marbles roll into a combination that would win. "If a person stays with it long enough, he's bound to hit", the operator explained. "The trouble is with most of them, they won't stay with it. They'll throw 3 or four times, lose and give it up and that's where we win out. When they start doubling up, forcing them to double and loose their money in a hurry. After we've forced him up to three and four dollars, a lick, they soon go out. Of course, once in a while someone hits and then we lose. But, we have the percentage with us".

He told me quite a bit about his experiences with people. There are all kinds and you have to size them up in a hurry. Some, you have to sweep off their feet, others work up and still others give up as a bad proposition. These are called "finks" by the operators. A "fink" is a person, who will let you spend fifteen minutes showing him how free, and then move on. When the stands once get wise to a "fink", they pass the word along and none of them waste any further time with him.

The men who work the crowd are the ones who bring about the best results. When the spectator sees one of them win and receive five dollars it looks so easy he takes a try himself. It's easy to make the "fall guy" win on such a game. The operator counts up and if the red number doesn't appear his count is such that it totals to a red number. And the spectator isn't following the count closely enough to detect the error. But, when he rolls, the count is correct or if there is an error, it is against the player.

The percentage on the wheel game is the same. Some of those are under control, with a braking device by which the operator can cause the wheel to stop on given numbers. The throw games are also arranged to give the operator the percentage. The barrels are placed at a difficult angle, which can be tilted to make winning easy for the operator or for the "fall guys". The dolls that you knock off have frills to make them look larger and weights to keep them on the stands. All the breaks are in favor of the man running the stand or they wouldn't be playing. They are not there for charitable purposes despite their anxious invitation to come and get it free.

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There was another stand which gave you a run for your money. It was a turtle or rather tortoise run. (Continued to last page)

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Ed Crowe slipped into Skeston on Saturday morning too late to see the models. He said he could not get over any sooner and guess he was right as the Missus knew his eye for beauty, grace and shape. Poor Simon Loebe's wife took him all the way to St. Louis to keep him away. However, The Standard editor saw enough for all.

Mort Griffith says he was ashamed but looked the second time.

The young man about town, who was unable to find anyone to take the two surplus models off his hands on Wednesday night, is hereby informed that the next time he is in such a predicament, the editor will come to his assistance if the Madam is not around.

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Washington, D. C., September 18.—"It ought not to be necessary to quote me as the author of Republican statements in order to bolster up the Presidents false issue of property", said Representative William A. Oldfield, Chairman of the Democratic National Congressional Committee, today, referring to a statement issued by Republican Floor Leader Tilson, from White Pine Camp.

"The statement attributed to me, 'that 20,000 corporations would make more this year than all the other corporations together', was made by a writer in a Republican newspaper, and I gave full credit to him and the paper. Mr. Tilson says in reply that 'If there are 20,000 corporations prospering, they have many stockholders. It (prosperity) is spread over millions'.

"This same Republican newspaper article also said that more than a majority of corporations, or about 200,000 made nothing last year. They, too have many stockholders, but there was no prosperity for them to spread over millions. These are Republican figures, but I see no reason to doubt them. They certainly do not sustain the claim of general prosperity.

"I give full credence to Mr. Tilson's other statement from White Pine Camp 'that nothing can (will) be done to stabilize the prices of farm products and take care of the farmers' surplus', and also when he said that he did not see 'that any good purpose would be served by bringing another farm bill before the House'. Mr. Tilson is an authority on this, and his statement is more impressive in view of the fact that he was at the time a guest of the President. He is the boss of the Republican majority in the House. If he says it is useless to bring in a farm relief bill and that nothing can (will) be done to aid the farmer by the Republican majority, the statement must be regarded as official and final.

"Mr. Tilson said at the same time: 'The tariff stands'. That is to say the Republican majority will permit no revision of the tariff at the short session.

"In all fairness to their leader in Congress the Republican Congressional and Senatorial Committee operating in the West ought to call off their speakers and writers who are telling the farmers that the Republicans will give them farm relief (which if effective must include tariff revision) at the short session or they will vote the Republican ticket this fall.

"They ought not to be permitted to so mislead the farmers when the house leader says that no relief will be granted and sends his ultimatum from the summer White House".

And now comes the Dexter Statesman with a "Mutt" parade. All mutts of the human species are barred and entries are limited to animals owned by Statesman subscribers. Four dollars is the grand prize and one dollar the consolation prize. Should be a grand spectacle.

We don't know, but we've been told that there was much competitive bidding for the box seats by the model runway. "Daddy" Felker is reported to have been one of the high bidders.

"The Monroe Doctrine, instead of bringing the Latin-American countries into closer contact with the United States, had eliminated from the minds of Latin-American peoples all fear of aggression from any portion of the world but the United States"—Leo S. Rowe, director-general of the Pan-American Union.

THIS WEEK IN MO. HISTORY

This week marks the sixty-second anniversary of the Centralia Massacre and the Battle of Centralia, events of the Civil War in Missouri which are almost without parallel. The date is September 27, 1864.

"Bill" Anderson, John Thrailkill and George Todd were then at the head of a guerrilla force of 350 men. After sacking the town of Allen, near where Moberly now stands, they moved eastward to the farm of Col. M. G. Singleton, which was within a few miles of Centralia. They made their camp here, and on the morning of September 27 about eighty men, led by "Bill" Anderson, entered the town. Centralia at that time was only a small village and contained one hundred inhabitants.

The bushwhackers robbed the two stores and the dozen homes of food and supplies and waited impatiently for the arrival of the stage from Columbia. When it arrived the passengers were immediately robbed. Some of the passengers, as Hon. James S. Rollins, congressman, and Sheriff Jas. H. Waugh of Boone county were noted Federal sympathizers and would have been killed or held for ransom if they had been recognized. The attention of the guerrillas was soon diverted by the approach of the North Missouri (Wabash) passenger train from St. Louis.

The trainmen saw the bushwhackers and decided to put on full steam and pass that station. This was prevented by the men at the station, who hastily placed ties across the track. Others opened fire on the train, and the fireman was slightly wounded. There were about 150 people on the train, twenty-three of whom were Federal soldiers, either discharged or on furlough. They were unarmed and no shots were fired from the train.

The soldiers and passengers were robbed of money and other valuables, and the baggage car safe yielded Anderson \$3000. A much larger sum in the baggage car was not discovered, for just at this time a cry came from Frank James and others: "Good God! here's thousands of greenbacks! Whoop! Run here, quick!" A valise had been opened which, it is said contained \$10,000.

Many of the Federal soldiers were stripped of their uniforms to their underwear, and though jostled and kicked about by their captors and insulted and struck in the face with pistols they uttered no word of remonstrance. The passengers were ordered to leave the train and it was set on fire and the fireman was made to open the throttle. The blazing train ran about two or three miles west of town and there burned till it was completely destroyed.

At last Anderson gave the command to have the twenty-three soldiers taken to the south side of the railroad and formed in line. One man, a German, who wore a military blouse and cap protested in vain in his native tongue that he was not a soldier but he was lined up with the others. When asked what he was going to do with them, Anderson answered sardonically, "Parole them, of course." Preparations were continued and Arch Clements was placed in charge of the firing squad. Anderson's order was: "Arch, when I give the word, pour hell into them". Anderson then asked if there were any sergeants in the line. There were three or four men of that rank, but at first none spoke. When the question was repeated Sergeant Thomas M. Goodman, of Colonel Flad's First Regiment, Missouri Engineers, stepped forward. It was expected that the officers would be shot and the others be released, but the opposite was true. Much to his surprise Goodman was taken out of the line, and the order given to protect him, probably for purposes of exchange.

Then Clements began to carry out his orders. The guerrillas opened fire with revolvers at about twenty paces, and half the Union men fell at the first volley. Others staggered about and were shot again and again till they fell lifeless to the ground. One man, Sergeant Peters, of the Missouri Engineers, described as of herculean stature, was shot five times through the body, but fought furiously and breaking through the firing line, stumbled to the station platform. He crawled under it, but was dragged from his hiding place and shot through the head. The murdered soldiers were left lying where they fell. Most of them were from the First Iowa Cavalry and the First Missouri Engineers.

The depot was burned and the guerrillas made their way back to camp, carrying their spoil. Among other things they took a large quantity of whisky in boots, both of which they had stolen from the stores. That afternoon about three o'clock a Union force of 175 men mounted under Major A. V. E. Johnson of the 39th Missouri Infantry arrived in Centralia. He learned of the massacre, and believing that the main force of the guerrillas had been overestimated he determined to pursue



them. He formed about 120 men in the open prairie, having detailed some thirty-five or forty men to care for the horses and wagons. Meanwhile the guerrillas had sent out a small scouting party under Dave Pool, instructed to "toll" the Union men near the place where their main force was hidden. Major Johnson and his men followed this party and, eager to avenge the death of their comrades, came upon the guerrillas near their camp. The latter had part of their force concealed and Johnson could not tell the actual number of his adversaries, so did not realize the danger of an attack. Frank James, who was with the bushwhackers, said in 1900, "I don't care what your histories say they carried a black flag. It was apparently a black apron, tied to a stick. We captured it in the battle that followed".

The battle was short but furious. The Union troops, raw recruits, were poorly mounted and armed with muzzle-loading Enfield muskets, equipped with bayonets. The guerrillas, trained marksmen and born fighters, were finely mounted on fresh horses and each had from two to four revolvers. Major Johnson ordered his men to dismount, and every fourth man was left to guard the horses. The bushwhackers remained on horseback, and crouching low charged furiously upon the small force, firing with deadly effect. The Union force was completely demoralized, and panic spread among them. The men who were holding the horses tried to flee, but they were pursued and killed. No quarter was asked or given. It is estimated that not more than twelve men, at most, could have escaped, and Major Johnson was killed—some say by a bullet fired by Jesse James Captain Smith of Adair County, and Lieutenant Strafford, of Clark County, also were killed. The guerrilla loss was two killed and three wounded.

After the retirement to the guerrillas the people of Centralia gathered the dead bodies and brought them on the platform of the depot. A number were taken to Mexico for burial, and seventy-nine were buried in a single long trench near the railroad, in the eastern part of Centralia. Not long afterward the trench was enclosed by a plank fence, and at the head of it was placed a limestone monument, fifteen feet in height, inscribed with the words: "The remains of Companies A, G and H, Thirty-ninth Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry, who were killed in action at Centralia Mo., on the 27th day of September, 1864, are interred here". Several years later, the trench was reopened and the remains taken to Jefferson City and reburied in one common grave, in the National Cemetery at that place. It is reported that every body reinterred showed a bullet hole in the forehead directly between the eyes.

AMERICA ONE HUNDRED
AND FIFTY YEARS AGO

Harlem Heights, N. Y., September 18, 1776.—General Washington's army is erecting strong entrenchments on Harlem Heights and preparing to oppose vigorously any advance of General Howe's army in this direction. The soldiers are still rejoicing over their success of two days ago in meeting the enemy in open battle and pushing them back nearly three times their own number. Their general has not neglected to tell them how pleasing their performance was to him after his vexation of the day before when he saw them panic-stricken upon the landing of the enemy at Kip's Bay. In yesterday's camp orders he says:

"The general most heartily thanks the troops commanded yesterday by Major Deitch who first advanced on the enemy, and the others who so resolutely supported them. The be-

havior of yesterday is such a contrast to that of some troops the day before as must show what may be done where officers and soldiers will exert themselves. Once more, therefore, the general calls upon officers and men to act up to the noble cause in which they are engaged and support the honor and liberties of their country".

The heights of Harlem are well situated for a stubborn defense. On one side, at the foot of a steep slope, is the Harlem River, while the summit can be reached by land only, climbing equally steep, rock-covered hills. Since Bunker's Hill General Howe has had great respect for American soldiers behind breastworks. The battle of the 16th should give him great respect for American soldiers fighting in an open field without breastworks. If he assaults these heights he will have to reckon with breastworks manned by the soldiers who drove him off the open field.

Gen. Thomas Knowlton of Connecticut who was killed on the 16th was buried today with full military honors. He was a veteran of Bunker Hill and the siege of Boston, and he and his rangers were always sure to be the general's first choice for any enterprise requiring unusual bravery. Captain Knowlton's 16-year-old son was fighting by his side when he fell. The boy tried to help his father, but the captain knew that his wound was fatal and told the lad to continue to do his duty in the battle:

"Leith" was he parole word yesterday in honor of Major Lieth of Virginia who was mortally wounded when General Knowlton was killed.

A tragedy took place in Skeston Monday night. A truck, driver unknown, came speeding down New Madrid street and negotiated the turn at the Hotel Marshall at a fast clip. The truck got around the turn alright, but all of its cargo didn't. A gallon jug of whisky rolled off and broke in the middle of the street. The truck kept on going, the driver making no effort to salvage the spilt moonshine.



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"One day my mother remarked on how bad I looked. She said: 'You look so pale and peaked, why don't you take a bottle of Cardui?' She had taken it herself a number of times, and it had always improved her health, so she thought I had better try it."

"I got the Cardui and began taking it, and from the first dose or two I could see a change for the better. The first thing I noticed was that my appetite was improved. I began to be hungry and I enjoyed my meals. I slept better at night. My rest was so much quieter that I got the benefit from it. I kept on with the Cardui and took it for several months. The pains in my back and sides grew less until they finally quit bothering me."

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Frozen milk in huge block is being shipped from Seattle to China and the Straits Settlements. The milk is said to be fresh when thawed out upon arrival.

A favorite weapon of the ancient cave man was a club made from the mammoth's foreleg.

"Queen Elizabeth hath built herself a bath, where she dothe bathe herself once a month whether she requireth it or not".—Contemporary Writer.

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DEMOCRATIC POSITION ON THE TARIFF

The Democratic position on the tariff is that the Constitution authorized a tariff by Congress only for the purpose of raising revenue (hence the term—a tariff for revenue only) and not for the purpose of preventing revenue by prohibiting imports on any special commodity.

The abuse has grown up since the Civil War in which tariff schedules have been used to protect monopoly by making the tariff rates so high as to exclude commodities and enable certain particular persons to establish an American monopoly easily by preventing outside competition.

This process of unlawfully excluding commodities by tariff schedules for the purpose of protecting monopoly, and imposing unfair prices on American consumers has been designated by former Democratic platforms as a 'robber tariff', because sued to hold up the American consumer and rob him by unfair prices over the merchants' counter.

An honest Republican does not advocate a tariff "higher than the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad", and the Democra-

tic schedules are more than equal to the difference in the cost of production at home and abroad. Incidentally they afford a protection as high as anyone has a right to ask.

The theory that the Democrats are disposed to be negligent or indifferent, much less hostile to American manufactures is a political falsehood.

The Democratic Party has the urgent desire to bring prosperity in America to all the people. But they know that the prosperity of the country cannot depend upon some of the people defrauding other of the people.

It is a fraud to write a tariff schedule to prohibit imports.

LONG HAIR FINDS CHAMPION

According to Dr Oscar L. Levin, in the International-Cosmopolitan, women rapidly are approaching that condition where feminine pulchritude will be on the wane and increasing baldness will not be man's prerogative alone. All this because of the fads such as bobbed hair and "beauty treatments".

Chinese women's feet are tortured; our women's hair is tortured, he writes. All sorts of waving and curling seem necessary to the mode. Naturally straight hair must be curled; curly hair must be straightened. Deformity at any price seems to be the slogan of those who set styles in hair-dressing and those who follow them. Hair must be twisted and soaked and fried and stewed. "Permanent" waves, curling with irons, curl papers and crimps, cold water waving and all such artificial distortions of the hair structure render it dry and lifeless and brittle.

Because of these facts, and because of the law of Nature that any tissue mistreated is in time killed off, women may some day be as bald as men, if bobbing continues, and at any rate their hair will be as short, naturally, as men's.

What will happen if the mode changes, as it now gives signs of doing, is an interesting speculation. Women who let their hair grow again are quite apt to find it has changed materially since it was bobbed. It will be coarser, stiffer, dryer, less lustrous.—K. C. Star.

A large pocket of beach sand, unlike any in the vicinity, was recently found in a solid block of marble at Middlebury, Vermont.

The cobra is deaf to all sounds, its hearing apparatus consisting of a delicate membrane which receives only ground vibrations. Indian charmers, knowing this, tap the box or basket in which the reptile is kept, partly stunning the creature by the force of the vibrations. It is thus rendered tractable so it can be handled.

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JAPANESE BEETLE FOUND IN DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

A lone bandit of the Japanese beetle variety was discovered recently making a tour of new territory in a garden not far from the National Capitol. So far as is known this is the first member of the "outlaw insect" to visit the District of Columbia. The incident was reported to the United States Department of Agriculture, where it was considered of such importance that a search was made to determine whether the bug had any followers or not.

Under experienced leadership ten members of the local Boy Scout organization were employed to explore the gardens and other likely hiding places. After a five-day search the entomologists were convinced that the beetle was a straggler that had gained entry from the infested areas of New Jersey, Delaware, or eastern Pennsylvania, possibly by doing a "hitch-hike" via automobile, airplane, or train, as no others were found which would indicate an established infestation.

At present this highly injurious insect is confined to a comparatively small area of the United States around Philadelphia. Quarantine measures and inspection of products that carry infestation are enforced to retard spread of the beetle as much as possible. Prompt action in locating the extent and source of new infestations is highly important in delaying its spread.

POULTRY EXPERT TO BE WITH POULTRY SHOW

Jefferson City September 27.—In addition to the list of agricultural lecturers who will accompany the Dairy and Poultry Exhibit, in Southeast Missouri, it is announced that Dr. L. D. LeGear of the LeGear Medicine Co., St. Louis, will be with the show in Skeston on October 14, 15, and 16.

Dr. LeGear is a poultry expert who is devoting most of his time to educational work along the line of poultry raising and also live stock, and will give a lecture or two, along with moving pictures, in the large lecture tent.

If you are having any trouble whatever with your poultry, do not fail to come to these meetings where you will learn the cause of the trouble. If you have any sick chickens, do not fail to ask Dr. LeGear about them—he will answer all questions.

The superstition that breaking a mirror brings bad luck dates from the time when magicians consulted mirrors. These, if broken, could give no replies.

FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

The certainty that the span of life is short and the probability that it may be much less than three-score years and ten should awaken in the heart of every man and woman an earnest desire to finish their life work before they are called from the world.

The present should be the supreme moment in the life of everyone. Each person should realize that in their manner of living during the present will have important bearing upon their future lives. With these facts before us, we should put out whole souls into the work of the present and let every moment be filled full of courageous service.

The greatest service in this world is the service for others, for no life is really filled with happiness until it is helpful to others. Everyone must feel the spirit of fellowship in all that we do for humanity. Man or woman, to be really happy, must seek to make others happy and give no thought to self.

Life finds its radiance and supreme worth in its satisfaction of unselfish service, in little acts of kindness and love. To do our whole duty is to uphold, cherish and help others; to lift, not lean upon others. Only in this service and fellowship with others may we hope to attain the life whose length of eternal purpose, whose breadth of sympathy, whose height of faith and whose depth of love are equal.

Greet your fellowman with a handshake, a hearty "hello" and a smile. They often cheer the lonely and sad hearts, and the day of many a man is made brighter and happier because of the fact that he was greeted on his way to his work by a hearty "good-morning" and a bright smile from a fellowman.

Because you are better off financially than your less fortunate brother does not make you one bit better than he, for some of the noblest souls in existence are found sometimes beneath the threadbare jackets of the day-laborer or, perhaps, the tramp.

Courtesy and politeness cost nothing. Riches do not make the man or woman, and in the end, when the final summons comes to us all, money cannot buy a seat upon the throne of Almighty God in heaven and your snobbery and ill-treatment of your fellowman here will not prove to your credits there.

Serve and be kind to your fellowman. It was unselfish service that Edgar Guest had in mind when he wrote the following poem:

He has not served who gathers gold,
Nor has he served whose life is told
In selfish battle he has won
Of deeds of skill that he has done,
But he has served who now and then
Has helped along his fellow man.

The world needs many men today;
The beauty of the simple deed
Which serves another's hour of need.

Strong men to stand beside the weak,
Kind men to hear what others speak,
True men to keep our country's laws,
And guard its honors and its cause;
Men who will bravely play life's game

Nor ask rewards of gold or fame.
Teach me to do the best I can
To help and cheer our fellow man;
Teach me to lose my selfish need,
And glory in the larger deed
Which smoothes the road and lights the day

For all who chance to come my way.
—The Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tenn.)

NO PLACE FOR A LADY

At a small, country station, a freight train pulled in and sidetracked for the passenger train. The passenger arrived and pulled out; then the freight started to do its switching. A placid well dressed woman had alighted from the passenger train and was passing close to one of the freight brakemen when he yelled to his buddy:

"Jump on her when she comes by, Bill, run her down by the elevator, cut her in two and bring the head end up by the depot."

The lady picked up her skirts and ran for the station yelling murder at every jump.—Ex.

"Goldstein is tearing down his new house".
"Not that beautiful new house on the corner lot?"

"That's the one."
"Why, what's the trouble?"
"The land is too valuable to live on. Guess what's going up there".

"A filling station?"
"No."
"Apartment house?"
"No."
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The labor required under the two systems was slightly greater with the open shed. Had the cows been milked in the open shed this would not have been the case, but since this practice is not recommended in the production of market milk, the cows in this experiment were taken to a separate stable for milking. Sixty-eight per cent more bedding was used in the open shed.

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President

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however. The tortoises were gathered together in a basket in the center until all of the numbered holes in the wooden fence around the edge were sold. Then, an electric heater was placed over the turtles to heat them up and the basket was taken off. The tortoise first entering one of the holes won a dollar for the owner of the number. I had always harbored the idea that tortoises were slow moving creatures, but that illusion was shattered. The heat certainly stimulated them into action and they didn't have any trouble finding a hole. It would have been lots more fun, if they'd just let them crawl along at their natural gait. But, then they wouldn't have made operating expenses. And it would never do for them to do that.

The carnival was a pretty sight at night. You could see the ferris wheel and the merry mix-up from the road before you entered the grounds. They were a mass of electric lights and they added to the gaiety of the place. The merry-go-round, with its caliope or music box in the center, gave that necessary carnivalish sound. The carnival was all in one place this year instead of scattered out as heretofore. You entered the Midway through a gateway that was emblazoned with "Royal American Shows" in electric lights. The midway circled the rides, the shows and stands being on the outer edge.

The carnival was really of a rather high-class nature. One failed to find the ten advertised rides, there being as far as I observed, the "Merry mix-up", the "Whip", the "Merry-go-round", the "Ferris Wheel", and a new ride called the "Hey Dey". Possibly the "Buggy Ride" might also be included. The company also had a "Caterpillar", but it was in the hospital for repairs and is to be taken on again at Cape Girardeau.

The "Ferris Wheel" was a disappointment. It is fool proof as advertised, but making it so had the same effect that taking the alcohol out of beer had on that drink. Neither has any kick. You are shut up in a cage. You feel like a monkey only there is no one to feed you peanuts. It is a mighty high wheel though, and you get a splendid view of the grounds from the top. It's a pretty picture, the swarming people below, the colorful stands and rides, the grandstand and concessions and far up at the other end of the grounds, the field of parked cars.

The "Merry-mix-up," a high revolving tower with seats on the suspended chains, swings you far out over the crowd at a dizzying pace. Lots

of fun there. Furnished some of the boys a good opportunity to study human anatomy, too.

The "Hey Dey" was the best. It was a new one on me. Sort of a whip idea, a series of automobile cars on a swinging, dipping, belt arrangement. The number ten car in particular traveled at a breath-taking clip. It was worth the price of admission just to see the expressions on people's faces as they took the curves and whirled around backwards.

Monkey auto racers proved a big attraction. Didn't get to see them, but heard the pop-pop-pop of their motors as they sped around. The giant was real. He was eight feet, nine inches. Didn't have to pay to see him (that is I didn't). Saw him come out in street clothes after the performance one night. He was tall all right and they say he wore a ring big enough to slip a half dollar thru. Also a 15 shoe.

The "Hawaiian Villagers" didn't loo to me like they had ever seen Hawaii. They were too white and their free performance wasn't convincing. But, maybe that on the inside was more appealing. Lots of people went at any rate.

The aforementioned "Buggy Ride" was a good one. You climbed a flight of steps, wandered about thru a labyrinth of dark passages and finally found yourself at the head of a chute. Here you seated yourself on a seat, the attendant pulled the lever and down you shot on to a fast travelling belt platform which carried you out onto the ground. It was quite a spectacle to watch the descent onto the platform. It is rumored that Charles Hebbeler and Charlie Blanton tried to buy the show.

"The Alps" was quite worthwhile or at least immensely diverting. The whole show depended upon the efforts of a magician. His sleight of hand tricks were good. He created balls and made them disappear and pulled off a number of clever tricks. The big thing, was making a woman float in the air. As he said, "It may be a trick, but if it is, it's a darned good trick at that". It was. We knew it was a fake of some sort, but we don't know how. The woman walked upon the platform, stretched out upon the couch and the magician proceeded to hypnotize her. When she was under his influence, he proceeded to make a motion which seemingly had the effect of causing her to arise from the couch and into the air, motionless and rigid. He moved the couch down from the platform. He took an iron hoop and went from one end of the platform to the other with the hoop around her body to

show that there was no wire attachment. Then he caused the body to move back and forth. We couldn't tell how it was done, unless in some manner the hoop could be worked around wires and it certainly appeared to be a solid hoop. We wished we had Houdini there to show it up. We'd like to know how it was done. The Alps themselves were an electrical reproduction showing people and houses and everything. A complete day in the Alps. It was unusual and interesting.

The sideshow contained a laughing hyena, John Henry, the ape man, with the greatest collection of beard and hair I ever saw. I had seen him before dressed in street clothes, walking through the grounds and I had classed him as a number one Russian Bolshevik. He told the story of his life among the apes and his fight for life. Then came the trained monkeys. Funny little people. A fire-eater next exhibited. He was right beside the monkeys and he drove them back with his fire. As I saw him take the flame into his mouth and watched the funny expression on the monkeys' face, I wondered which one of the two had evolved the furthest. The Texas Lollypop, a fat negress, weighing some 500 pounds, was next. She was a ponderous creature and shook all over as she danced and sang. The ground shook, too. The kangaroo completed the attractions.

Negro minstrels. How those darkies can dance. They have white people backed off the boards at that game. It's a natural sense of rhythm they possess. They certainly know how to pick 'em up and put 'em down.

It ought to be against the law to exhibit such a thing as "Azora". She was in a pit with a mess of snakes and ate live chickens for the amusement of spectators. It caused us to wonder just how low people will sink for money. Capitalizing such an unfortunate as that, certainly doesn't speak well for the human race.

Alice, the wonder girl, was a head, kept alive by a food injected into the base of her brain, the demonstrator told us. A doctor friend informed us that it was a mirror illusion. We believed him despite the fact that the demonstrator told us that the head would be passed around the first performance on the last night. We haven't found anyone who saw that performance.

A penny show did lots of business and the boxing bag caught the eye of many a stalwart youth from the country. What a kick they got out of seeing what a powerful blow they could register. Perhaps the Tunney-

Dempsey fight to some degree accounted for the popularity of this business.

A fair crowd is a fascinating one. One has to elbow one's way about, but it's worth it. Beggars, crippled limbs in sight to attract the pity and sympathy of the passerby. A hat to receive his coin. Professional beggin gis a lucrative profession, so I am told. Some of the beggars, who follow the Fairs about, earn enough during the summer season to support a fine home, send their family to private schools and drive a big car and at the same time maintain a comfortable bank balance. There is a factory which specializes in making harnesses to strap up the body and make it appear horribly deformed. The only trouble is, the beggars say, the profession is getting too crowded.

Gypsy fortune tellers and palmists. Heavy flowing dresses, bright colored bandana handkerchiefs as head-dresses. These dresses afford excellent concealment for stolen articles.

The bored town people to whom the Fair is no novelty, there to see the crowd and to help out the Fair Association, don't you know. Really, can't get any thrill out of it at all after the things seen in the city.

"Fall guys" or confidence men mingling with the crowd, dressed to appear hickish, but unable to keep the hard, sophisticated lines off their face.

Children having a big time. Gazing with opened eyes wonder at all of the marvels of the carnival and concessions. Hoky poky, spun candy, whips, balloons, novelties of all sorts took their attention.

Families from the country. One family in particular. Six of them, a man, his wife and four children, the two daughters apparently grown. All dressed in dirty, tattered overalls. All lean as emaciated rats and a swarthy brown. Their mouths hung open with astonishment. I wondered where they came from.

Negroes. What a swarm of them there was that first day. I think every negro in the county was either a school child or a school teacher, judging from the free tickets given away. And on the succeeding days. They hung about the gate in crowds waiting for them to be thrown open and after the fireworks, when they were opened, a regular tidal wave surged in.

And as you look the Fair crowd over, you wonder where they get the money. Some of them look like they never expected to own another dollar, but they all manage to get there and all manage to have a good time. Even the last day, when a rain and chilling drop in temperature caused the Fair program to be called off, there was a crowd there. Perhaps the opening of the gates caused some of the people to come. At last they could get something free. But, there they were making the rounds. And if it had snowed, they still would have been there, I'm sure. Such is human nature.

Anthony Bakona and Anna, and Mrs. Edna Cramer came down from St. Louis Sunday for a visit with the family of Tom Myers.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Reba F. Lee, Plaintiff,
vs.
Robert L. Lee, Defendant,
In the Circuit Court of Scott County,
Missouri.
To the November Term, 1926
Action for Divorce and Change of Name
No. 3284

Now on this 21st day of September, 1926, in vacation of the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri comes the plaintiff by her attorney, before the undersigned Clerk of said Court and files her petition and affidavit for divorce and change of name, alleging among other things that the whereabouts of the defendant is unknown to her. Whereupon it is ordered by the undersigned Clerk of said Court, in vacation, that publication be made notifying said defendant that the plaintiff in the above entitled cause has commenced an action against him in this Court the object and general nature of which is to dissolve the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff and the defendant and for change of name. And unless said defendant be and appear before this Court on or before the first day of the next regular term thereof to be begun and held at the Court House in the town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in November, 1926, then and there before the Judge of said Court answer or plead to plaintiff's petition in said cause the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed in the petition.

It is further ordered that a copy hereof be published for four weeks successively in The Skeston Standard, a weekly newspaper published in Scott County, Missouri to be published once a week for four successive weeks the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said November Term, 1926 of said Court.

H. F. KIRKPATRICK, Clerk.
A TRUE COPY FROM THE RECORD.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand (SEAL) and affixed the seal of said Court, Done at office in Benton, Missouri, this 21st day of September, 1926.

H. F. KIRKPATRICK,
Circuit Clerk.

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Ancell—Wednesday	" 20
Sikeston—Thursday and Friday	" 21-22
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Perkins—Tuesday	" 26
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In writing for tax statements to pay by mail please do so before December 15, as our time will be taken up with cash business after that date.

EMIL STECK

Collector Scott County, Mo.

Mrs. S. W. Hale of St. Louis is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Myers and Jack Shubert.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of Emil Steck, Collector of the Revenue in and for the County of Scott in the State of Missouri, Plaintiff,

vs.
Viola Fields, H. L. Fields, F. N. Williams, L. L. Williams, James Mc-Pheeters, J. A. B. Williams and Edgar Fields, Defendants.
In the Circuit Court of Scott County, Missouri. To the November Term, 1926. Order of Publication.
No. 3229

Suit for Back Taxes.
Now on this 23rd day of August, 1926, comes the plaintiff by attorney, H. C. Blanton, and shows to the court that a summons has been issued in this cause directed to the sheriff of Scott County, Missouri, which said summons has been returned non est as to defendants F. N. Williams, L. Williams, J. A. B. Williams and Edgar Fields, and it appearing to the court that said defendants cannot be served with summons in this action, it is ordered by the court that publication be made notifying said defendants that the plaintiff in the above entitled cause has commenced an action against them in this court the object and general nature which is to enforce the payment and the lien of the plaintiff for back taxes for the years 1921, 1922 and 1923, in the sum of \$121.20 and interest and costs against the following described real estate, to-wit:

All of Lots Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9) in Block One (1) in Woodward's Second Addition to the Village of Vanduser, Scott County, Missouri; and unless said defendants be and appear before this court on or before the first day of the next regular term thereof, to be begun and held at the Court House in the Town of Benton, Scott County, Missouri, on the Second Monday in November next 1926, and on or before the first day of said term answer or plead to plaintiff's petition in said cause the same will be taken as confessed and judgment rendered accordingly as prayed in the petition and said property sold to satisfy the judgment and lien of the plaintiff. It is further

ordered that a copy hereof be published for four weeks successively in The Skeston Standard, a weekly newspaper of general circulation published in Scott County, Missouri, to be published once a week for four successive weeks the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of the said November Term, 1926 of said court, to which term this cause is continued.

A true copy from the record.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand (SEAL) and affixed the seal of said court. Done at office in Benton, Missouri, this 9th day of September, 1926.

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